

**TRAFFIC ORDINANCES AT STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES**  
**Act 291 of 1967**

AN ACT to authorize state universities and colleges to enact parking, traffic and pedestrian ordinances and to provide for the enforcement of the ordinances; and to dispose of fines collected.

**History:** 1967, Act 291, Imd. Eff. Aug. 1, 1967.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**390.891 Parking, traffic, and pedestrian ordinances; violation as misdemeanor or civil infraction; enforcement; persons authorized to issue and serve citations for persons with disabilities ordinance violations; conformity with uniform traffic code.**

Sec. 1. The governing boards of state universities and colleges may each enact parking, traffic, and pedestrian ordinances for the government and control of their respective campuses. If an ordinance is enacted, the governing board shall specify whether a particular violation is a misdemeanor or a civil infraction. Enforcement of the ordinance shall be by law enforcement officers of this state or the county, township, or city where the violation of the ordinance occurs. The governing board of a state university or college may authorize a person other than a law enforcement officer to issue and serve a citation for a violation of the ordinance pertaining to parking for persons with disabilities if the governing board complies with the requirements of section 675d of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.675d. The ordinance shall be in substantial conformity with the uniform traffic code promulgated pursuant to 1956 PA 62, MCL 257.951 to 257.954.

**History:** 1967, Act 291, Imd. Eff. Aug. 1, 1967;—Am. 1978, Act 515, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979;—Am. 1992, Act 229, Imd. Eff. Oct. 16, 1992;—Am. 1998, Act 441, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 1998.

**390.892 Violation as misdemeanor; penalty; enforcement; disposition of fines and costs.**

Sec. 2. If violation of a particular provision of the ordinance is designated a misdemeanor pursuant to section 1, that violation is punishable by a fine of not to exceed \$25.00 for each violation and may be enforced in any court having jurisdiction and venue over misdemeanors in the political subdivision where the violation occurs. Fines collected by the court for these ordinance violations shall be paid to the treasurer of the political subdivision in which the offense is tried within 30 days after collection, and costs shall be handled in the same manner as provided for costs imposed for violation of misdemeanors under state statutes.

**History:** 1967, Act 291, Imd. Eff. Aug. 1, 1967;—Am. 1978, Act 515, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979.

**390.892a Violation as civil infraction; civil sanctions; limitation on civil fine; conflict with act; misdemeanor penalty prohibited; processing of violation.**

Sec. 2a. If the violation of a particular provision of the ordinance is designated a civil infraction pursuant to section 1, the governing board may establish civil sanctions for those civil infractions, but a civil fine shall not be more than \$25.00. If the governing board establishes civil sanctions for a violation of a particular provision of the ordinance designated a civil infraction that prohibits parking in a parking space reserved for use by persons with disabilities substantially corresponding to section 674(1)(s) of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.674, the governing board shall establish a civil fine of not less than \$50.00 or more than \$100.00. A civil sanction in excess of that prescribed in the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, is in conflict with that act and is void to the extent of the conflict. The ordinance shall not impose a misdemeanor penalty for an act or omission which is a civil infraction under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923. Except as provided in section 3, the violation of a provision designated a civil infraction in the ordinance shall be processed in the same manner as a civil infraction under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923.

**History:** Add. 1978, Act 515, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979;—Am. 1979, Act 56, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979;—Am. 1991, Act 42, Eff. Sept. 1, 1991;—Am. 1998, Act 441, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 1998.

**390.893 Parking violations bureau; establishment; purpose; operating expense.**

Sec. 3. The governing board of a state university or college may establish a parking violations bureau as an exclusive agency to accept admissions of responsibility in cases of violation of any university or college parking ordinance and to collect and retain fines and costs as prescribed in the ordinance if the violation is designated a civil infraction. The expense of operating the bureau shall be borne by the governing board and the personnel of the bureau shall be university or college employees.

**History:** Add. 1972, Act 372, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 1973;—Am. 1978, Act 515, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979.